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WHY THE POETS LIKE IKE

(The Minneapolis Tribune)

We should like to add a little corroborative prose to the proposition that General Dwight D. Eisenhower has a name which is duck soup for the writers of rhymed campaign slogans. By some cruel quirk of fate, the Republicans have had a desolate dearth of such names for 30 years. What could one rhyme with Harding, for example? Discarding, interlarding, retarding! The masters of campaign doggerel beat their brains out against Warren Gamaliel and came up with exactly nothing.

Or try to work Coolidge into a snappy campaign rhyme. The nearest any poet can come is abominable rhyming, even if either word were appropriate to the occasion. Hoover was as tough as they came, poetically speaking. One could have urged vote for Hoover, tax remover, but it would have made little sense and it would have exhausted the rhyming possibilities, if not the voters.

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Landon was about as big a headache for the sloganeers. Don't throw sand on Alfred Landon would have rhymed out but that's about all that could be said for it. Or try Dewey. Thomas Dewey is not screwy offers a highly negative approach. So does don't say phooey to Tom Dewey. Taft is a little easier. But don't be daft, vote for taft is no barn-burner.

Stassen is another stumper. Rassen, massen, lassen, gassen — even Oscar Hammerstein couldn't write the lyrics.

But Eisenhower is a sloganeer's dream come true. Easy now, boys, roll out the doggerel. Eisenhower, our right bower. Knighthood's flower. Eisenhower for V-8 power. Eisenhower, He's ade-is-nower; General Ike, a lucky strike. * * *

As Old As Civilization

(Selected)

Map making is as old as civilization. The whole history of the world, from the early explorations to the development of our great modern cities, has been heavily influenced by the work of cartographers.

Today maps affect, in one way or another, almost every activity of mankind. And the scien.e of map making has made vast progress in recent years, due to aerial photography. One of the most interesting developments is photogrammetry, which is defined as the science or art of obtaining reliable measurements by means of photography. This concept is not new—a Frenchman experimented with it a century ago, and 50 years ago a Canadian did the first work of practical importance. Now photogrammetry has been brought to a high state of perfection. Complex machines are used to plot the aerial photographs. These machines work on the principle of the old-fashioned p..or stereopticon but with the precision of military range finders.

A number of photogrammetric engineering firms are in business today. Their work consists of determining the best locations for highways, railroads, and transmission lines; resources s..rveying, of soil, forests, dam sites and minerals; city planning; plant location, and assisting the government in expediting the huge job of accurately mapping the nation. The cost is often remarkably low—as little as $1.00 an acre for complete and highly accurate map studies.

The story of the map will never end. There are always new chapters to be written.

A FAMILIAR PICTURE

(The Daily Oklahoman)

It is not likely the inflation ridden French people can afford much gasoline at the new price of 82 cents a gallon.

The government is taking 67 cents in taxes for every gallon of gasoline sold in France. An increase in tobacco prices is accounted for largely by new taxes imposed in an effort to hold the government's deficit within a couple of trillion francs.

The situation bears an omuions resemblance to trends developing in this country.

In the United States, however, the deficits still are measured in the billions.

FOWL BALL

(Wall Street Journal)

The hen today,
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'A Dog's Life' Is Costly

(From Atlanta Constitution)

The American people are throwing the poor doggie a $500,000,000 bone. In the last thirty years the canine population of the United States has risen by 200 per cent and the dog's standard of living has gone up proportionately.

So reports the Wall Street Journal. The annual bill—food, clothing, shelter, training, recreation and health—on the upkeep of the 22,- million dogs in the land is 500 million dollars, more than the combined income of all the human inhabitants of Vermont.

Biggest slice from the multi-million-dollar biscuit goes for food—an estimated eight million pounds a year, two and two-thirds times as much as Oklahomans consume annually.

Some of the doggies items that eat up the annual budget for bowser are: "Deo-Pet, designed to stop doggie odor and bad breath," sweaters, mattresses and cushioned blankets, beauty parlors and dog baths ($8.05 for bath, hair and nail trim in "swank" New York Dog Bath Club, where $10 membership carries swimming privileges, with "doctor" in attendance").

"In New York city's canine university," says the Wall Street Journal, "your dog will be taught to live with human beings in a 12 week course costing $36." Courses teaching humans to live with dogs are available, no doubt. Grapevine, Tex. has its Dude Ranch for Dogs.

And when a dog's life is ended, there is the Hartsdale Caine cemetery near New York city—lots from $30 to $60, caskets from $10 to $75.

Business is going to the dogs. Who can blame it!

ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

(Selected)

"The day definitely is past when an individual can hope to grow wealthy from savings out of wages or salary," says a feature article in a recent issue of U. S. News & World Report. "Old ideas about what constitutes a 'high' income are having to be revised, along with old ideas about the size of a fortune needed to support a family when a man retires."

This is the result of two potent forces which, in combination, have reduced the purchasing power of the dollar on one hand, and have made it impossible for even people with very large gross incomes to save substancial sums on the other.

Force one is inflation. Today's dollar, going by the government figures, is worth ohly a little more than half as much as the prewar dollar. Force two is taxation, which now bites deeply into the incomes of people of moderate means, and takes most of the earnings of people in the upper brackets.

President Truman confers with aides in Washington.

Some experts expect a shift in Soviet policy after New Year's.

St. Louis Cardinals to have new manager this season.

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WILL YOU BE THE "ONE IN A MILLION"?

Chicago, Dec. 12.- Pay attention to your driving if you don't want to be "one in a million."

As the nation neared the millionth traffic fatality, now due mathematically in the third week in December, the National Safety Council said the vigilance and attention of drivers is the best hope of postponing it.

"Behind nearly every cause listed in the usual accident report—speed too fast for conditions, ran off roadway, ignored traffic signal, or what have you—there is inattention," said Ned H. Dearborn, Council president. "If the motorist had been paying attention to the very serious business of driving in modern traffic, chances are he wouldn't have gotten into an accident situation."

The Council said attention is the basic ingredient of "defensive driving"—a safety creed the Council has promoted successfully among truck, bus and other professional drivers.

Here is how the Council says defensive driving can keep you from being "one in a million":

1. Ignorance of the law is no excuse. Know and obey all laws, signs and signals.

2. Know the condition of your vehicle. Regularly check lights, brakes, horn, windshield wipers, tires, tire pressure and steering.

3. Never be distracted from the job of driving by scenery, billboards, people on sidewalks, daydreaming, conversation or lighting a smoke.

4. Give pedestrians the right of way, and be cautious when passing safety zones, school zones, playgrounds,residential areas where children are playing, and parked cars.

5. Enter traffic cautiously from parking spaces, alleys, driveways or side roads.

6. Even though you have the legal right-of-way, always yield if there is any question about the other driver's intentions.

7. Always regulate your speed to the condition of your car, the road, traffic and weather conditions.

8. Keep plenty of distance between you and the car ahead—at least one car length for every 10 miles of speed. The driver ahead may have to veer or stop suddenly.

9. Think ahead for turns. Get in the proper lane at least 150 feet ahead, signal your intent and slow down gradually.

10. In passing, make sure that the driver ahead knows your intention, ease out gradually until you are sure there is enough clear distance ahead and don't cut back until you can see the passed car in your rear view mirror.

11. Weaving from one lane to the other on multiple lane roads is dangerous. Stay in one lane as much as possible, signal any changes and use the rear view mirror to keep an eye on following traffic.

12. At rail crossings, never depend entirely on watchmen, gates or automatic signaling devices. Use your eyes and ears, too.

13. Reduce speed at night so that you can stop within the range of your headlights. Use the lowed beam when approaching other vehicles.

14. Don't drive if you have had anything to drink, or if you are sleepy or ill.

Homemakers' Items

Hot baked potatoes make an attractive nest for creamed chicken or turkey, or creamed peas. Cut potatoes in four sections . . but not quite through 6 pull apart petal-wise and add the hot filling.

Holly, one of the traditional evergreens for Christmas, can be prevented from shedding by spraying the twigs with a one per cent solution of napthalene acetic acid. The leaves will remain firm after twigs are dead and dried out.

To keep cake or soft chewy cookies fresh and moist, put a slice of apple in the air-tight container with them. Change the piece of apple frequently. Crisp cookies will stay crisp if stored in a can with loose cover.

If you're preparing nuts for cakes, candies, and other Christmas treats, you'll be interested in this hint for shelling pecans. Place pecans in a kettle, cover with water, and bring to a boil. Let nuts remain in water five minutes. Drain and crack as soon as the nuts can be handled. With a little practice they will come out whole.

When decorating cookies or frosted cake with colored sugar use a salt shaker to sprinkle the sugar.

Governor Battle to address Chamber of Commerce at Danville.

Germans vote for merger of three states.

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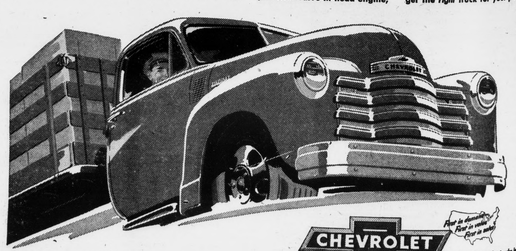
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...d, Dec. 11.- "Knowledge ...that he knows so much; ...humble that he knows no ...pinted.

Divine services at Central Baptist Church Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Reed and children, of Lynchburg visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Paudett and daughter were in Lynchburg on business Monday.

Mrs. Henry Fleshman spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wooldridge were the guests Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh.

Miss Val Brannan visited Monday afternoon with her grandmother, aunt, and Marvin.

Tom Lee Pugh was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Wooldridge Sunday.

E. R. Davis, of Lynchburg visited with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh and grandson, Nelson Jones were the guests one day last week of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh.

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Gladstone

Gladstone, Dec. 8.- The W. M. S. meeting was held December 5, with Mrs. M. C. Harris as hostess. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. C. D. Banton, president.

Mrs. R. L. Calvin, of Clifton Forge is spending several days here with her sister, Mrs. F. R. Greever.

Richard Nash has returned from Korea, where he has been in service for over a year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Carter are spending several days in Richmond with relatives.

PAMPLIN GIRLS WIN OVER BUCKINGHAM

Pamplin High School's girls basketball team won over Buckingham Central High School in a game on Monday night, December 3. Score: Pamplin 33, Buckingham 27. Gladys Layne was top scorer for Pamplin with 16 points. The Pamplin boys also posted a victory, winning 38 to 25. Douglas Jamerson led the pace with 17 points.

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Living in Victory

Lesson for December 16, 1951

THE story of the conquest of Canaan is of course a story of historical events. By itself, however, it is not so "edifying" as it once was. Joshua repeatedly committed, or attempted to commit, what is now known as "genocide," or the total deliberate slaughter of an entire nation.

Dr. Foreman

So it is better, all around, to take the story of the conquest of Canaan not in its bare historical form but to follow the example of earlier generations of Christians and take it as a kind of parable, a parable of the victorious life.

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Victory Has Many Wounds

BY the victorious life is meant the life that rises above its temptations, living for God against all opposition, the strong life, not overthrown by selfishness and sin but overcoming evil with good.

First of all, as a famous war correspondent said, "Victory has many wounds." Joshua and his armies won; but they had casualties. No victory is ever won without a fight; or to put it another way, no victory without a fight is worth much. Yet we forget this in our personal struggles against sin. We are tempted to think, I could be a better person if I did not have so many temptations. I could be a better person in more sympathetic surroundings. I could be a better Christian if I had had better upbringing. If . . . if . . .

Maybe you are right, more likely you are wrong. Is an oak a better tree if it is raised in a hot-house? Is a race-horse faster if he never has a hard race? We pray for strength and God sends us difficulties. That is God's way of answering our prayer.

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Life-Long Campaign

IN another way Joshua's wars are a type of the war of our best against our worst. He never did quite conquer Palestine. In Judges I the repeated phrase strikes the eye,—"did not drive out . . ." In the very center of Palestine, for example, what we now know as the city of Jerusalem remained a hostile strong-point for centuries after Joshua.

The whole story of the Israelites after Joshua shows how imperfect the conquest was at first, and archaeology has underscored the record of the Bible. Yet it is true to say that there was a real conquest of Canaan. The country was won, though there was a vast deal of mopping-up to be done. This is again a parable. The victorious life is not the same as the sinless life.

The majority of Christians believe there was one sinless life, but only one. We have a right to call a man good (as the Bible does) without meaning that he is perfect. Some people are needlessly discouraged at this point. If we expect the victorious life to be so completely victorious that not a single tinge of evil remains in it anywhere, we shall not only be expecting ourselves to be better than the saints, but we shall be living in disillusionment.

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D-Day and V-Day

THERE is another, brighter side to it this. It is true, no present conquest of evil is complete; but final and complete victory is assured. For the "Captain of our salvation" is Christ, and we Christians believe he has actually conquered evil, once and for all.

As Dr. Cullman puts it, D-Day and V-Day are not the same. The battle of the beachheads came long before the surrender. Christ has put the powers of darkness to flight. The Cross and the Resurrection are the Christian's D-Day. There will be much fighting, many casualties, perhaps many backsets, before V-Day, but it will come.

The only assurance Joshua had that his cause would finally win was his confidence in God. So the real guarantee, and the only guarantee, which a Christian has of ultimate and total victory is that he fights in the name and in the strength of Jesus. As Martin Luther's hymn has it,

"Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing."

"Christus Victor," Christ the Conqueror, is an ancient name for our Lord. But his victories are not old finished stories; they still go on—in us.

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"Don't hunt myself," Happy says, "but there's plenty of game on my property. I tell the hunters where the best spots are—away from where I'm working and where nobody else is hunting. It works out pretty well all-around."
From where I sit, Happy has once again shown why he gets along with everyone and why everyone respects him. Happy's likes and dislikes might not be the same as his neighbors', but that doesn't stop him from understanding. When it comes to opinions on hunting, fishing, politics, ways of farming, or whether your favorite beverage is beer or cider, try to be like Happy and the chances are you'll be really happy!
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